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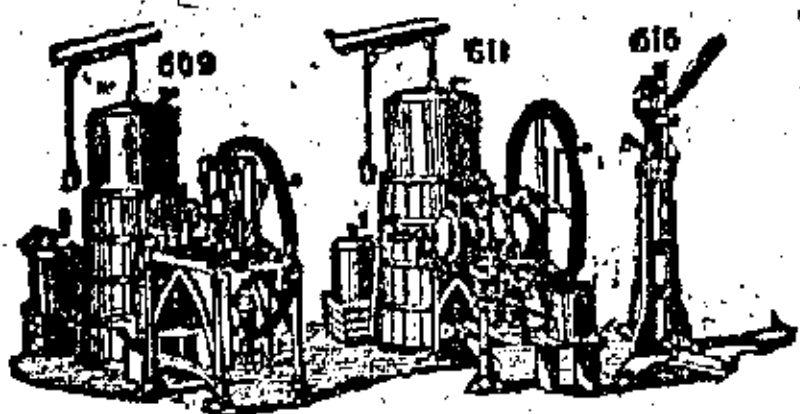
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scholarship is now assiduously cultivated,
and who are severally represented in the first
number of the Review by papers highly
creditable to their respective authors. In
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Rev. E. J. Eitel, to which the place of
honour is deservedly given, an excellent
summary is presented of the chronological
problems and arguments involved in con-
nexion with this important work. Some
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the Chinese poet-astropher of the eleventh
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distinguished by its literary grace. Beside
notices of new books relating to China and
the East, which will be a useful feature of
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and detail, we are glad to notice that
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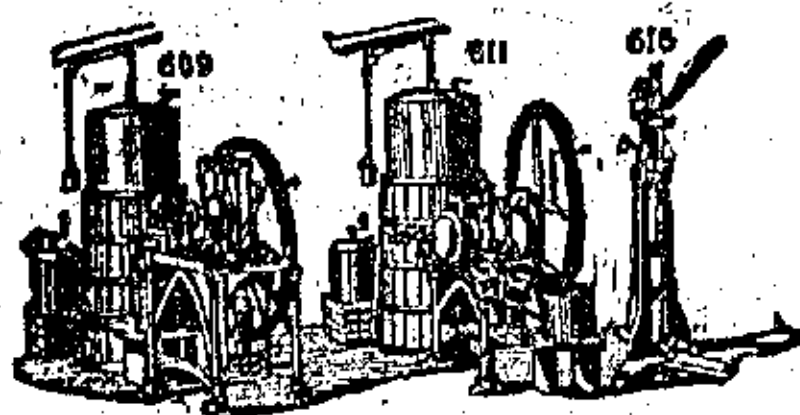
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generally. A more detailed list of subjects
upon which contributions are especially
invited is

LOCAL AND GENERAL

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE M. M. steamer *Ada* with the French mails arrived as we went to press.

As will be seen by an advertisement in another column, there will be no Volunteer parade on Monday next.

H.M.S. *Grouler* will come over from Kowloon early next week, and H.M.S. *Thetis* will follow her.

will probably dock.

THE Hongkong Humane Society met this afternoon for rocket practice at West Point. There was a fair muster, and the practice was gone through with spirit. The rocket was fired over a junk, and the members succeeded in forming a communication at the third trial. Mr Mallory the new superin-

His Excellency Chan Lan Pan, Chinese Minister Plenipotentiary to the Courts of the United States, said that the Chinese Government appears to take a lively interest in the Society, and we trust the Association will thrive under his guidance and prove that it is worthy the name of a Humane Society in the event of a typhoon.

H.E. Major-General Donovan, the Acting Chief Justice, Acting Puisne Judge, Acting Colonial Secretary, and several of the foreign Consuls, yesterday afternoon.

H.M.S. *Charvillat*, Captain C. F. Hotham, arrived here to-day from Singapore. She

was relieved on the Singapore Station by H.M.S. *Diamond* on the 27th ultimo. H.M.S. *Fly* was also at Singapore. The *Charvatis* will, we believe, proceed shortly to join the flagship. The new Japanese ironclad the *Fusoo* left Singapore for this port on the 28th ultimo, the same day as the *Charvatis*.

the *Charybdis*, and she reports having passed H.M.S. *Shannon* off Galle. The *Shannon* we understand left Singapore on Thursday, the 6th instant, so she may be looked for about the latter end of next week. The only other Naval gossip of any interest to our readers is that H. M. S. *Curlew* and H. M. S. *Thetis*

are ordered home at once, and are not to wait for their reliefs. The *Curlew* is at present at Labuan, and will be relieved by the *Foehound*. H.M.S. *Iron Duke* is expected to relieve the *Adulcast* at Singapore about the latter end of September. The *Namau* is under orders to sail hence on Monday, her destination being, we believe, Yokohama. H.M.S. *Mosquito* has gone North and is to winter at Tientsin.

The following telegrams are published in the *Straits Times* of May 30th and 31st:—

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.
(For *Straits Times*.)

London, 26th May.—Count Andrássy says that even if the Congress succeeds, complications may be apprehended in con-

Constantinople, 28th May.—The Russian troops are falling back.

London, 29th May.—The Earl of Russell is dead.

London, 30th May.—The London newspapers are less sanguine regarding the negotiations of Count Schouvaloff, but the Congress is now assured.

Large contributions to money are being

One would have thought that the death of Earl Russell was an item worth sending on to Hongkong, although Renter's Singapore Agent does not seem to have been of that opinion.

OFFICERS of steamers cannot be too careful in attending to the fastenings of their cabin doors and windows, and should on no account allow portable valuables of any description to lie about exposed to view.ieves are constantly hovering around steamers, patiently awaiting their opportunity.

...and are never slow to avail themselves of the first chance that may offer to enrich themselves at other people's expense. The steamer's deck is as public as the street, while thieves run far less chance of detection, as they are out of reach of the police, and, if habitual thieves, their movements are liable to no surveillance. When the

temptation should be kept out of the servants' way, as they are often tempted to appropriate their masters' goods in port, and when the loss is discovered and the servants are taxed with the robbery, they say very reasonably say "Have got too much on this side, how can we get more?"

instancing the truth of this we may
te that a robbery was committed on
ard the S. S. Yano yesterday. The thief
away with the very nice little sum of
0, all in hard cash. The money was the
erty of the 2nd Engineer, and was de-
ited in a desk which was locked. The

door was likewise locked, but—there is a "but" in these cases—the key was hanging in the mess-room for convenience. The thief evidently was a discreet one, as he took nothing likely to lead to detection. A gold watch and chain, a gold oil-case, a cheque for a round sum of

... and various other articles were left
touched, although they must have stared
thief in the face whilst he pocketed the
... and he is doubtless now enjoying
fruits of his labour and planning future
... We understand that Chinese
... natives have been refused permission to

board some steamer, although it was known who they were. This is a very rash and suicidal proceeding; the thieves are doubtless well "posted" as to the whereabouts of their natural enemy and act

accordingly. Prevention is better than cure, and if the presence of detective officers does nothing more than prevent robbery, they should be readily welcomed by officers of all ships in harbour.

Haber & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 1st June, 1878.

Arrivals During the Week.—May 24, Cuba, from Hongkong; 26, Oxfordshire, from Hongkong; 27, Anchorage, from Shanghai; 28, State of Alabama, from Hongkong; 29, Cyphrenes, from Hongkong; 30, Yesso, from Hongkong; 31, Ling Feng, from Fuzhou; 31, Georgia, from Hongkong; 31, Port, from Hongkong.

Departures During the Week.—May 25, Flintshire, for London; 26, Douglas, for Hongkong; 28, Europe, for Shanghai; 28, Glenfalloch, for London; 30, Anchorage, for London; 31, China, for Chefoo; 31, Yesso, for Hongkong.

Shipping in Port.—Glenroy, Willie, Holland, Killarney, Bonary, Black Prince, Deucalion, Cuba, Oxfordshire, State of Alabama, Cyphrenes, Tah Yew, Fling Feng, Georgia, Port.

Police Intelligence.

(Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.)

June 8, 1878.

LARCENY.

Chan Ashun, a coolie, was sent to three months' hard labour, four weeks of which were to be in solitary confinement, for stealing a piece of grass cloth.

ALLEGED LARCENY AT THE CENTRAL STATION. Lum Ayat, a servant employed by the European Constables at the Central Station, was charged on suspicion of having stolen a silver watch, the property of P. O. Sangster. The complainant stated that the defendant knew when the watch was placed and where the keys of his chest were usually put.

Charles Dobie said he was acting as a roll-call of the barracks servants at 9 o'clock every night. The servants were not allowed to be absent after that hour without permission. The defendant was absent; witness had never known him to be absent before without permission. Remanded for one week.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ENGINEER'S CERTIFICATES.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Sir,—Could you give me any information as regards the responsibilities of Engineers in this Colony? I know of a British steamer which lately carried coals to the Colonies, the 3rd engineer of which was a Chinaman. In case of explosion or accident to the machinery, could he be held responsible jointly with the others after the manner of the *Yesso* case, and be punished for incompetency or negligence? Two steamers leave this port regularly with a Chinaman as engineer in each. I would like to know if the Insurance Companies or the Board of Trade are aware that several boats flying the English flag run with Chinese engineers and carry passengers. This is the only place in the East where this is allowed to be done.

By inserting this you will greatly oblige

AN ENQUIRER.

[A Select Committee was appointed by the Legislative Council on 29th April to consider this among other details of the subject of regulation of steamers, and our correspondent might think it advisable to make a few sensible suggestions and impart much valuable information to the members of that Committee.—Ed. C. M.]

Canton.

A VISIT TO THE P. & C. M. S.S. "PERUSIA."

June 8th, 1878.

The S.S. *Perusia*, Captain McKirdy, the pioneer of the new Peru and China Mail Line, which will leave shortly for Callao via Honolulu, was visited yesterday by a distinguished party. This fine British steamer has been lately loading at Whampoa, but having now on board over two thousand tons dead weight of cargo and drawing more than 24 feet, she has gone down some ten miles below Whampoa, where she has been commended to take in passengers for the Hawaiian Islands and Peru, after being strictly examined by the Consular and Chinese Authorities. These are the very men who, if they had not this direct line to go by, would proceed from Hongkong via San Francisco, just as the *Tokio* took lately 500 passengers for Peru and 200 for Honolulu; and they are now going as freely, and will be as well treated, as would Mr. Pope Hennessy himself if he were one of the passengers. Yesterday, Commander Manley, of the U. S. man-of-war *Ranger*, went down to visit the *Perusia*, and he was accompanied on his ship by a party of friends he invited, among whom were H. E. the Peruvian Minister, now at Canton, Mr. Consul Lincoln and his family, the members of the firm of Olyphant & Co., of Canton, and a number of other ladies and gentlemen. The *Perusia* was fully inspected, and every one was pleased to find on board so commodious for Chinese such as few other Chinese passenger steamers possess.

China.

FOOCHOW.

(Herald, May 30th.)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE FOOCHOW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The Annual General Meeting of the Foochow Chamber of Commerce was held at the Club House on Tuesday last, the 28th inst., when the undermentioned representatives of firms were present, viz., Messrs. Eschell, Fairhurst, Haslam, Hedger, Lubbes, Odell, Peterson, Reeves, Sheppard, H. E. Smith, and Walkinshaw. Mr. Peterson occupied the Chair.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE FOOCHOW General Chamber of Commerce, for the year 1877-1878.

"*And*—H. E. Smith, Esq., Agent has cordially afforded the usual facilities during the past shipping season for the despatch of Mails at a sufficiently late hour to meet the convenience of mercantile firms; and the Committee are assured that a like liberal arrangement will be in force during the current year. In this connection, it is regretted that the foreign

community of the port should still have to endure, at times, serious inconvenience through existing defective arrangements for transmission of Her Majesty's Mails to and from Hongkong. But the Committee trust that the long pending question of a Mail Subsidy for the East Coast ports may ere long meet with favorable attention from the Postal Authorities.

"*Telegraphs.*—Your Committee regret that the foreign community should not be any nearer the attainment of direct telegraphic communication with Europe. The Great Northern Telegraph Co.'s scheme for a land line to Amoy, seems now to be definitively abandoned; but in the meantime the Daily Courier Service works satisfactorily, and in some measure compensates for the absence of direct telegraphic communication. The line connecting the Foreign Settlement with Pagoda Anchorage, which for some time past has been worked by the Provincial Government, ostensibly for military purposes, is apparently in very imperfect working order, and, if not in the meanwhile thoroughly repaired, must in a short time cease to be of any reliable value as a regular means of communication with shipping, for which purpose it is undoubtedly of practical service to foreign firms.

"*Pilots.*—The grievances referred to in the last Annual Report of your Committee are, it is satisfactory to state, in a fair way towards a equitable adjustment. The old Foreign Pilot Company, which of late years was unfortunately, a somewhat discordant organization, has been dissolved during the past six months, and the foreign pilots are now working on a separate, more independent, and it is believed more harmonious basis. Liberal rules and regulations have been drawn up, which it is hoped may ultimately be agreed to by the respective Consuls. In the meantime, your Committee trust that there will be fewer complaints during the current season, and that, all just ground of dissatisfaction being removed, increased attention will be given by the pilots to the onerous duties of their calling. Under the proposed changes in general regulations, the number of pilots for outside duty (exclusive of Chinese) are limited to 10; and for inside, or river work, to 15. With this number of men constantly employed, in conjunction with the recent addition of two boats, your Committee are of opinion that the service should in future work more efficiently, and give greater satisfaction to shipmasters generally.

"*Survey of Approaches to the port.*—A most complete survey of the approaches to the mouth of the river has been recently made by Captain Napier of H. B. M. S. *Nesam*; and full information in regard to the situation of dangerous rocks &c., has been published by the Naval Authorities, for the guidance of Mariners.

"*Conservancy of the Upper Min.*—Measures have been adopted by the Chinese Authorities, and are still in progress, to prevent, if possible, any recurrence of the calamitous floods which have taken place during the last two years. To this end, dredging operations have been conducted for some time past, both above and below bridge; but it yet remains to be seen whether these somewhat inadequate operations will have the desired effect, especially in view of the notorious fact of junks being still permitted, with comparative impunity, to discharge their ballast aboard in the main channel.

"*Reuter's London Commercial Telegrams.*—Your Committee have concluded an arrangement with Reuter's Agent at Amoy for a regular supply, throughout the current season, of London Commercial Telegrams, at a charge to the Chamber of £75 per annum. This sum has been guaranteed by sixteen firms, so that the subscription will be rather less than £5 per firm.

"*Spurious Tea Leaf.*—The attention of your Committee having been called to the commencement of the present season, to the attempted introduction of spurious leaf for the purpose of mixing with genuine tea from adjoining districts, they at once communicated with H. E. M. S. Consul, through whose good offices the Governor of the Province was induced to issue a stringent Proclamation, threatening with severe punishment any convicted participants in these fraudulent practices. It is to be hoped that this prompt action of the local authorities will have the desired deterrent effect.

"*Members.*—Messrs. Fairhurst, Reeves & Co., and Mr. Wm. L. Hunter have joined the Chamber during the year, subject to confirmation by the present meeting.

"*Funds.*—The Secretary's Account current (audited by Mr. J. G. Hodgson) shows a credit balance at date of £613.31 to be carried forward to new account. This sum is exclusive of \$50 due by the Foochow Printing Press for paper supplied by this Chamber at the commencement of last season. It was then moved by Mr. Walkinshaw seconded by Mr. Sheppard that the Report be adopted, and this was carried *unanimously*. The accounts and balance sheet for the financial year—the latter showing a credit balance of £613.31—having been submitted to the meeting; Mr. Fairhurst proposed and H. E. Smith seconded, that the accounts then presented be passed; and this resolution was unanimously adopted. The Chairman stated that as the formal business of the meeting had been concluded, and there were not any topics of a special nature for discussion, it now only devolved on the members present to elect a Committee for the current year. A ballot was accordingly taken, resulting in the election of the following gentlemen, viz., Messrs. Haslam, Odell, Pim, Reeves, and H. E. Smith.

The usual vote of thanks to the Chair concluded the business of the meeting. The present Acting-Governor, Pao Heng, will, we understand, leave for Hong Kong in a few days, to take up his new post as Treasurer of Shanghai. He will be succeeded in the Acting Governorship by Woo, at present Imperial Commissioner in charge of the Mamoi Arsenal.

An accident which occurred in the Foreign Settlement on the morning of Saturday last, was remarkable chiefly on account of the almost miraculous escape of several Chinese workmen who were on the spot at the time. A wall enclosing the recently constructed premises of Messrs. Phipps, Hickling & Co. suddenly gave way burying seven men in the ruins—all of whom, we are glad to state, most fortunately escaped with a few simple bruises.

Ting Futai's term of office as Governor of this province is, we hear, at an end; His Excellency's resignation having been formally accepted at Peking. It is rumoured amongst the officials that Ting's ambition to become a Governor-General is likely to be gratified ere long. He is certainly a better Governor than most Chinese officials in his position, and his tenure of office in Fuhkien has been distinguished by

a spirit of friendliness towards foreigners worthy of imitation.

On Saturday last a Chinaman was found on the hill in front of the Club House in a dying state. On examination it transpired that the unfortunate man had taken a large dose of opium, and, though efforts were made to bring about his recovery, he ultimately died after lingering for a few hours in an unconscious condition. The body was claimed by his relatives, from whom it was elicited that the suicide had been out of employment for some time past, and that this had greatly preyed on his mind for several days prior to his death.

In reference to our recent remarks on the subject of the Native Hospital, we now understand that the Committee are endeavouring to complete arrangements for maintaining at least the Dispensary until such time as medical aid in furtherance of actual hospital work can be obtained. In the meantime, no more in-patients will be received; in fact the late building near the Customs Road has changed hands, and is about to be pulled down, while the old Hospital, long generously presented to the Hospital Committee by John Forster, is in need of extensive repairs before it can become available for the reception of patients. Under more favorable auspices, however, we hope to see the Hospital in full working order again, and this at no very distant date.

On Monday and Tuesday nights last, Messrs. Thorne and Darwin, commonly known as the "Royal Illusionists," gave two very pleasing and varied drawing-room entertainments at the *Gymnase*, before large and appreciative audiences. Messrs. Thorne and Darwin leave for Amoy to-morrow morning per S.S. *Yesso*, at which port we understand it is their intention to give one or more performances.

TEA.—A brisk business in the several seasons has taken place in the interval since our last issue—about 75,000 chests having changed hands, at very full rates for all grades except common and medium. There has been a steady demand and keen competition for fine and finest descriptions, at an advance in some instances of about 1½ per cent—as compared with opening prices. Supplies from the Sen Moo and Wong Hing districts, though somewhat preferable to last season's yield, are of inferior average quality. Arrivals of first crop last 245,000 chests to date, or more than double the supply at corresponding time last year. Notwithstanding that this unprecedented weight of tea has been placed on the Market thus early in the season, native dealers seem to experience no difficulty whatever in obtaining full prices, more especially for the grades above good medium. A few settlements of *Oolong* and *Scented Tea* have been declared at extreme rates.

Settlements of *Congou* since 25th May—74,999 chests, at 1½ to 20 per cent (short). *Oolong* 1,495 chests at 1½ to 20 per cent (short). *Scented Tea* 5,840 boxes at 1½ to 20 per cent (short).

Total arrivals of *Congou* 245,902 chests. "settlements" 209,000 "

Stock, 82,497 chests.

Total arrivals of *Sonahong* 1,682 chests. "settlements" Nil "

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Total arrivals of *Oolong* 4,978 chests. "settlements" 1,495 "

Stock, 2,883 chests.

Total arrivals of *Flowerly Pekoe* 250 chests. "settlements" 171 "

Stock, 79 chests.

Total arrivals of *Scented Tea* 10,000 boxes. "settlements" 5,840 "

Stock, 4,160 boxes.

Opium.—Market quiet.

Lead.—No inquiry. Stocks heavy.

Freight.—To London—per steamer—£2.10 per ton of 40 cubic feet.

Vessels loading.—For London—Steamships *Penary, Holland, Glenroy, Deucalion, Oxfordshire, Cyphrenes, and State of Alabama*. Sailing ship *Black Prince*.

For Australia—Steamships *Killarney, E. M. Young, Peri, and Uziah*.

Exchange.—Business in Sterling mercantile paper at six months' sight has been considerable, during the week, at rates varying from 3/11½ to 3/11, some of the later transactions being reported at 3/11½ for first class credits. On Shanghai, the last drawings were 7½. Hongkong paper has been offered to any extent, and quotations are nominal.

STRAITS NEWS.

(From the Singapore Times.)

H. M. S. *Ruby*, Captain R. H. M. Molyneux, which arrived here on the 29th May, is a sister ship of the *Diamond*, a corvette of 14 guns. She received orders, while cruising in the Mediterranean, to proceed to China to reinforce Admiral Hillyar's squadron there. The *Shannon*, ironclad, Captain W. B. Grant, 6103 tons, and 3870 horse power, left Malta on the 12th April, for the same destination, and should also arrive here shortly.

The evidence and report of the Court of Inquiry into the collision between the *Khedive* and *Voorwaerts* has been forwarded to H. E. the Governor for approval. So far as can be learnt, the collision occurred off Mink Head, at 8 o'clock on the night of Thursday the 23rd inst., and not on making for, and the *Voorwaerts* leaving Penang, as those on board the *Khedive* state, it is said, that had the *Voorwaerts* kept on her course, the collision would not have taken place, but, as she was observed, when broad on the *Khedive's* starboard bow to port her helm too late for the *Khedive* to port, the latter went astern at full speed, and the *Voorwaerts* ran into her injuring her stem. It is said that if the *Khedive* had not been put astern, the collision would have been far more serious in its consequences. The cargo of the *Khedive*, which vessel arrived here this morning (28th), is uninjured. A tender has, we understand, been accepted at Penang to raise the *Voorwaerts* and restore her as a first class steamer at Lloyd's.

We learn that the Rev. Father Edouard Gaucher will be consecrated Roman Catholic Bishop of the Straits Settlements at Singapore, next Sunday, 2nd June. He will embark for Calcutta on Monday, and will arrive here by the M. S. steamer *Amasone*, due about the 16th proximo.

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THE COLLISION OF THE "KHEDIVE" AND "VOORWAERTS."

The following particulars respecting the unfortunate collision are condensed from the *Penang Gazette* of the 25th May.

"The *Nederland Maatschappij* S. S. *Voorwaerts* left Penang on her way home at 5 p.m. on Thursday, the 23rd May, her passengers and crew numbering 300 souls all told. About 6.50 p.m. the P. & O. steamer *Khedive*, steering E. & S. course towards Penang, and going 11 knots, sighted the lights of the *Voorwaerts*, steering W. & N., and all went well, both vessels keeping their green lights in view, till about 7.45 and about four miles from land, when suddenly, as the P. & O. Officers declare, the *Voorwaerts* changed her course, showing her red lights, and steered right across the bows of the *Khedive*. The steamers were then so close that Captain Stewart of the *Khedive* saw a collision was inevitable, and immediately stopped his engines and then backed them astern full speed, but the collision took place within five minutes. The Third Officer was in charge of the *Voorwaerts* previous to the collision, having shortly before relieved the Second Officer, but the Captain had just come on deck when it occurred, and he immediately turned his vessel's head landwards and steamed her into the position in which the now lies, beached in a bay to the north of Penang island in about 21 fathoms of water.

"The news was brought to Penang by a boat of the *Khedive* about 7 o'clock next (Friday) morning, and the *Khedive* herself arrived in harbour about 11 a.m. with all the *Voorwaerts*' first-class passengers and the majority of the others. The Agents of both steamers despatched the Colonial steamers *Colonel Phayre* and *Deli*, with cargo boats in tow, and reached the wreck about 12.30 p.m., finding her safely beached with her forehold full of water but the after cabin perfectly dry. All the passengers' baggage had been removed, and the salvage of the cargo was immediately begun, as the water was rising. By 6 p.m. the saloon was covered to the extent of 3 inches of water, and the steamers and cargo boats returned to Penang, laden with a first man's worth of the goods landed, and the remaining portion of the crew and passengers, arriving at 9.30 p.m.

"An examination of the wreck showed that she had been cut down on the port side to the depth of 16 feet below her deck line, about 21 feet abaft the foremast, the breach being 6 feet wide at the top and narrowing down to a point. The *Khedive* has received serious injuries, her stem and starboard bow having been completely stayed in and round to a serious extent."

So far the *Penang Gazette*. It is reported here that a contract has been accepted to raise the *Voorwaerts* and make her a first-class risk at Lloyd's for the sum of \$15,000 and 37½ per cent of salvage.

As already announced in these columns the result of the Marine Court of Inquiry held at Penang on Saturday, the 25th May, was that the Officers of the *Khedive* were acquitted of all blame and had their Certificates restored to them. The *Khedive* is now discharging at the P. & O. Wharf in New Harbour, in order to be properly surveyed, and her repairs, if done here, will probably take three months.

LONDON GOSSIP.

The Home Rule Party are drifting into a condition of irreparable chaos. The incidents connected with the secret debate last Friday night, wherein the Irreconcilables were attacked by the majority of the party for their unjustified bias against the late Lord Leitrim, have intensified the bitterness between the two sections of the Irish party. The Irishmen will cease to act as a party with Mr. Butt's impending resignation. The six or seven Irreconcilables will carry on a guerrilla warfare, till the House of Commons suspends one or two of them from speaking—a measure which will be undoubtedly resorted to if the Tory party can find a justification for it. The facts which have come to light since the secret debate on Lord Leitrim's case, show how groundless were the charges of immorality which were laid against that unfortunate nobleman.

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young gentleman in black on one special evening, when he had been a little more sensitive than usual. Poor fellow! It matters not whether he belonged to the Telegraph Department, or the Forest Department, or any other kindred institution. He had been in the jungle for six months. He had been recently posted to an office at Calcutta, and, in spite of warnings and remonstrances, had spent some very pleasant evenings in a pleasant family of dubious hue. The artless question of the syren in muslin filled him with unspeakable terror. His hair stood on end; the lights seemed to burn blue; and he felt that he was a guilty man, who was sinking in an ocean of trouble and care. The dénouement came of last week. There was no wedding, no suicide, nothing at all. An experienced firm took the victim in hand; one of those cold-blooded, selfish hoaxes who are a disgrace to humanity. He counselled that little rattle to say nothing, to do nothing, and, above all, to write nothing. Letters, invitations, threats, and provocations of all kinds poured in, but there was no response of any sort or kind. The worst of it was that the young damsel had told a fib. Mamma had not told her to ask the gay Lothario when he meant to propose. She had ignored mamma, and taken the management of affairs into her own hands. If she had said nothing, the victim would have proposed within a week; as it was, he became conscious of the bait; he became conscious of the hook; he took fright, and was lost for ever.

Foreign Powers who may labour under the delusion that the English have degenerated in those qualities which have won them renown in days of yore as a nation of sailors will do well to take note of a terrible naval engagement which came off a few days ago on the Bridgewater Canal. Full particulars of the gallant affair were given at the county police-court, Manchester, where Emma Carter, described as a boat-woman, was charged with cruelty to a horse, and, together with her son aged fourteen, was further charged with assaulting a police-constable on duty. It appeared by the evidence that on the 14th inst. Mrs. Carter was seen by a policeman named Crompton steering a boat drawn by a horse on the Bridgewater Canal at Patricot. She was also endeavouring to excite the horse to increased speed by pitching stones at it. The animal, however, being in a wretched condition, and suffering from two wounds under the collar, declined to be urged forwards in this fashion; and the policeman, seeing that it was unfit for work, insisted on taking it to the police-station. Mrs. Carter refused to accompany the horse, but, relinquishing her post at the helm, seized the rope and commenced towing it herself. Another policeman named Parker was subsequently despatched to the canal bank, where Mrs. Carter, taking the rope along with her, boarded the boat and pushed midway into the water, there remaining ready for action. She had not to wait long, for Police-Sergeant Adcock appeared on the scene, and, divesting himself of his shoes and stockings, threw himself at once into a small boat partially filled with water and pushed himself alongside the bigger craft. He was there confronted by Mrs. Carter, who, with a "thump," threw a stone at the policeman's head, and then, when the policeman planted foot on the vessel, Sergeant Adcock, by means of another bill hook, wrestled the weapon from her hands, and, scrambling aboard, followed by Policeman Parker, and then began a frightful struggle. Mrs. Carter, assisted by her son and two other children, belaboured the officers vigorously with thick sticks. On losing her stick she seized a knife, which was at length wrested from her, and she and her son were taken ashore and removed to the police-station. She was fined £5 and costs for the assault on the police, her son being discharged.

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Portfolio.

LEONATUS.

The fair boy Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
It was his duty, evermore,
To tend the Lady Imogen:
By peep of day he might be seen
Tapping against her chamber door,
To wake the sleepy waiting-maid:
She woke, and when she has array'd,
The Princess, and the twin had pray'd,
(They pray'd with rosaries of yore),
They call'd him, peering to and fro;
And cap in hand, and bowing low,
He enter'd and began to feed
The singing birds with fruit and seed.

The brave boy Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
He tripp'd along the kingly hall,
From room to room, with messages;
He stopp'd the butler, clutch'd his keys,
(Albeit he was broad and tall),
And dragg'd him down the vaults, where
In wine lay beaded and divine,
To pick a flask of vintage fine,
Came up and clomb the garden wall,
And pluck'd from out the sunny spots
Peaches, and luscious apricots,
And fill'd his golden salver there,
And hurried to his Lady fair.

The gallant Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
He had a steed from Arab ground,
And when the lords and ladies gay
Went hawking in the dews of May,
And hunting in the country round,
And Imogen did join the band,
He rode him like a hunter grand,
A hooded hawk upon his hand,
And by his side a slender hound:
But when they saw the deer go by,
He slipp'd the leash, and let him fly,
And gave his fiery barb the rein,
And scour'd beside her o'er the plain.

The strange boy Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
Sometimes he us'd to stand for hours
Within her room, behind her chair;
The soft wind blew his golden hair
Across his eyes, and bees from flowers
Hum'd round him, but he did not stir.
He fix'd his earnest eyes on her
A pure and reverent worshipper,
A dreamer building airy towers:
But when she spoke he gave a start,
That sent the warm blood from his heart
To flush his cheeks, and every word
The fountain of his feelings stir'd.

The dear boy Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
He lost all relish and delight
For all things that did please before;
By day he wish'd the day was o'er,
By night he wish'd the same of night:
He could not mingle in the crowd,
He loved to be alone, and shroud.
His tender thoughts, and sigh aloud,
And cherish in his heart its blight.
At last his health began to fail,
His fresh and glowing cheeks to pale;
And in his eyes the tears unshed
Did hang like dew on violets dead.

The timid Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
"What ails the boy?" said Imogen:
He stammer'd, sigh'd, and answer'd
She shook her head, and then she thought
What all his malady could mean:
It might be love, her maid was fair,
And Leon had a loving air,
And watch'd them with a jealous care,
And play'd the spy, but naught was seen:
And then she was aware at first,
That she, not knowing it, had nursed
His memory till it grew a part—
A heart within her very heart!

The dear boy Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
She loved, but ow'd it not as yet!
When he was absent she was lone,
She left a voice before unknown,
And Leon fill'd it when they met:
She call'd him twenty times a day,
She knew not why, she could not say;
She fretted when he went away,
And lived in sorrow and regret:
Sometimes she frown'd with stately mien,
And chid him like a little queen;
And then she soothed him meek and mild,
And grew as trustful as a child.

The next scribe Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
She wonder'd that he did not speak,
And own his love, if love indeed
It was that made his spirit bleed;
And she thought her of a freak
To test the lad; she bade him write
A letter that a maiden might
A billet to her heart's delight:
He took the pen with fingers weak,
Unknowing what he did, and wrote,
And folded up and sealed the note,
She wrote the subscription sage,
"For Leonatus, Lady's Page!"

The happy Leonatus,
The page of Imogen:
The page of Imogen no more,
But now her love, her lord, her life,
For she became his wedded wife,
As both had hoped and dream'd before.
He used to sit beside her feet,
And read romances rare and sweet,
And when she touch'd her lute, repeat
Impass'd madrigals of yore,
Uplooking in her face the while,
Until she stopp'd with loving smile,
And press'd her melting mouth to his,
That answer'd in a dreamy bliss—
The joyful Leonatus,
The lord of Imogen!
—B. H. Stoddard.

CONVERSATION.

(Edinburgh.)

Conversation is the latest flower of culture. It needs, in order to come to anything near perfection, a consensus of inward and outward conditions, the absence of any one of which is fatal. The delicate exchange and adaptation which it implies is impossible not only if there is not some parity of value in the thoughts exchanged, but also the tact and art of selection among them. It requires, above all things, a light hand, the power of taking up a subject easily and readily, of holding it not too tightly, adapting the treatment of it to the interlocutor's need or point of view, of losing it when it has ceased to serve as a mental stimulus, and of taking up another with the same readiness, in its return, as soon as it has served its purpose. A rough discussion of a subject is always out of place in a conversation—on want hints, guesses, glimpses, the suggestion of varied points of view, side-lights, the play of fancy and humour, even the ironical treatment of one's own serious interests, all coloured by a direct reference to the individual mind to which you are for the moment turning.

near. To dull nature a good conversation all ways looks inconsistent. His many-sidedness seems contradictory; his distinctness and need to be all things to all men has an air of insincerity about it, while in fact it is only a sublimated veracity; his sense of the relativity of truths and of their multitudinous phases, sides, shapes, and references, wears a look of sophistry and frivolity. The homely wit, which stays where it grows in its own little plot of earth, is puzzled at the vagabond instinct which sends other minds soaring and wheeling and circling in search of fresh and distant prospects.

There is a trick which, at the first sight, looks like this conversational dexterity, but which is in fact its enemy. The true conversationalist touches lightly on his subject and then passes on, but he has touched some interesting or characteristic feature in it; the pseudo-conversationalist nibbles and pecks at any tag or corner of it which may be for the moment prominent, whether or no the point touched on stands in any vital connection with the whole. While handling a theme easily, it is still possible to put your mind to it. It is also possible, as Dr. Johnson has it, to put your mind fairly to the mind of your companion. And this is just what the pseudo-conversationalist cannot do. They are common among the men, and still more among the women, who are introduced to one at a party as "Such a remarkably intelligent person!" So much to say on all subjects! And they certainly have a false air of intelligence, and may originally have started with a good deal of mind. A life incessantly passed in company, without the balancing effects of study and frequent solitude, always betrays itself in this peculiar quality of the talk, which we notice with most disappointment in those the externals of whose mind, so to speak, give at first sight a promise of intelligence and mental comradeship.

And in these things—intelligence and comradeship—all the higher interest of society lies. The neutral interest in all that appeals to the intellect, and the personal interest of social fellowship, each feeding and supporting the other—personal sympathy forbidding the intellect to be pedantic or absolute, and the intellect giving a ground and a charm to personal sympathy—are the main conditions of conversation at its best. It is true that many other things go to perfect the relation between talkers—manner, appearance, dress, even—to minds sensitive to such influences, as the minds of the best conversationalists often are—the social atmosphere around, the bearing, breeding, and mental attitude of the society in which they happen to find themselves. One pushing, dogmatical interloper can mar not only a tête-à-tête, but the most harmonious assembly of talkers. The fact that there is an eager listener present who takes what is said otherwise than as it is meant, to whom a playful allusion passes for your last word on a great subject, or who will not let a suggestion pass till it has been anatomised into shreds, or who has not the mental quickness and fluency to keep up with the play of talk, who cannot discuss without arguing and cannot argue without wrangling, is quite enough to destroy the ease and serenity without which no conversation can advance freely.

LOT 217.

"At forty shillings—going at forty! Did I hear two guineas offered?—Thank you, sir. Two guineas is in time. For the first time! Any advance on two guineas? For the third and last time—going at two guineas!"

Rap!
"Name, if you please, sir."
"John Trumway," I said, for the lot was mine—Lot 217. Whatever made me buy the lot? I am sure I didn't want it. What on earth could I want now with a second-hand, patent fireproof, powder-proof, bomb-proof, thief-proof iron safe, constructed to resist fifty burglar assaults (nominal), case-hardened, unbreakable, unpickable, to be sold a bargain, owing to the key being lost, and the only man who knew how to make another having gone to sleep with his fathers? When I reflected about my purchase I began to feel quite hot. There is no doubt it was a bargain, or might have been to somebody; but then, patent, unpickable iron safes with the keys lost, and owner-proof, as well as thief-proof, are not everybody's money, however cheap. I had a cold creeping doubt if they were mine. While the auctioneer was describing it, and the people all round the room were yearning for it in bide, I seemed to see many remarkable qualities emanating from the safe, like perspiration, so that its acquisition appeared to me then peculiarly desirable. But now that the thing was mine, all the latent value which had before perspired from it under the auctioneer's hands seemed absorbed again into its shamefully rusty sides—it had become a miserable hundred-weight of old iron—and I loathed the very sight of it, especially when I thought of Mrs. Trumway.

I went home to dinner, which had been waiting an hour. I said nothing about the purchase. There was a small snuff—a very small one—expressive of "It's not at all unlikely, John, though, mind, I don't care of it without evidence, but now I come to consider, it's rather more likely than not that you've something on your mind; and nothing in your purse. After dinner, I escaped upstairs to my study. In the evening, I saw it coming up the garden path on a pair of trucks. Should I go down? No, I reflected; I would not go down. How I detested the thing now! It didn't look worth half a crown.

"Yes," I heard the servant say in answer to the man with the trucks; "this is Mr. Trumway's."

"So's this," said the man, "and I wish him joy of it, and he shouldn't mind a glass of beer to wish it him in."

Which conversation had the effect of bringing out Mrs. T. Her comprehensive mind must have taken in the situation at a glance.

"Where's this from?" she asked the man.

"From the safe-room, ma."

"John!" It was the voice of my affectionate wife addressed to her husband. "Have you been buying anything at a sale?"

"John!" do you wish the man to lay it in the passage?" (Stiff being interpreted): "Or would I like it taken into the drawing-room; or placed on the dressing-table of the spare room, perhaps; or on the study mantel-piece?"

"I thought it had better go down stairs. 'Oh, here it is in the passage,'" I said.

"No one will steal it," said my wife, with a little smile. "No one will steal it; that's quite certain." I admit it was not a seductive-looking object now.

When we were alone, Mrs. Trumway asked me what I intended to do with the safe, which was the very question I had been asking myself ever since returning from the sale.

"What do I intend doing with it, my dear?" I repeated, to gain time. "Why—yes—ah—that is—do with it? Why, open it of course."

She sniffed a sniff equal to two columns of printed matter. Although my answer was not premeditated, I didn't think it altogether a bad notion. According to the next two or three weeks my house became the constant resort of blacksmiths, whitewashers, locksmiths, and people in the engineering way, all of whom, however, failed utterly in the attempt to open the unpickable iron and thief-proof Lot 217. They fairly owned it beat them. I wanted the safe opened, however, for the reason that, being opened, it might become an article perhaps useful or saleable, whereas now it was neither. One morning an idea of unusual brilliancy occurred to me, and I put on my hat, and went out to put it in practice. I walked up to our great model gael, and saw the governor, with whom I had previously some acquaintance. I told him I should feel deeply obliged if he could render me assistance, and then came to the purpose of my visit.

"Have you, my good sir, such a thing as a good strong burglar on the establishment that you could lend me for an hour or two?" No, I explained what I wanted him for. And, I said, see that he could—it would be against the rules.

"I'll tell you what, though," he said, "after a bit; I dare say I could find you a ticket-of-leave man, who would do it. They report themselves to us at stated intervals, so that we always know where to find them. Indeed, I think I know just the very man, and will send him to you."

One evening in the twilight, about a week afterwards, our servant came in, in some alarm, to say that two very ill-looking men were at the back door, who said they had "come to crack the governor's money-box." They were not nice-looking men. One of them, a great brawn ruffian, with a head and neck like a bull, and a wisp of coloured handkerchief over a shirtless chest, hairy as Bessie's, gave me a stolid nod as I went out.

"The boss up at the Model," he said, pointing with his thumb over his shoulder in the direction of the gaol, "asked me if so be as I would oblige you by crackin' a little bit of a box you've got. You see, guv'nor, I ain't any tools of my own, so I've brought a pal who's got his 'Lady's Companion' with him, to do the job." Indicating his friend, who carried a parcel of tools down my path, I should say he was not a nice man to have for a friend. A spare, short, cunning little fellow, with a keen eye, a nose that gave you the impression of a wasp's, and a thin nose, with a continual nervous twitching in the nostrils, like a rabbit's, as though he was an animal always on the scent for game or hunters, which perhaps he was. His name was Toney.

I brought them in, and pointing out the safe, asked if they thought they could open it.

"Open it," repeated Toney, with meaning contempt, "why a kid could open it with a pen-knife." It's one of them Unimpeachables, Bill, he said to his mate; "you remember me, like what a cunning little fellow he is, couldn't catch. Why, I could blow it open with an ounce of biccor in a quarter of an hour."

"Well," I said, "I would give you something to open it."

"Would you, begar?" growled the big man. "Our terms is, 'art a survivor'—me and Toney—and two pots of beer, and two ounces of biccor; and then it's a favour, on account of our doin' it to oblige the boss. And we ain't a-going to do it here, unat; but if you've got a bit of a outhouse at the back, where we can be private, we'll do the job there on the quiet."

I was obliged to accept their terms; indeed, they were both persons I would not have had a difference with for the world. So they carried the safe into the tool-house in the garden, where I supplied them with the quantity of ale and tobacco agreed on, and they shut themselves in. It's only a case for the 'Alderman,' Bill; I heard the little man remark as I left them.

In twenty-five minutes, by my watch, the bull-headed man came and told me it was done. "Not that we've been all this time about it though, guv'nor, for Toney picked it open in five minutes, easy as a cypher, but we've been settin' and doin' a quiet job together."

They certainly had opened it—not by picking the lock, as I anticipated, but by wrenching off the back, so that the safe was completely destroyed. They had drilled two holes in the back-plate, to allow of inserting two immensely powerful steel crow-bars in such a position that leverage of the two bars would fall one against the other, and wrench out the intermediate piece. From the appearance of the holes and the small in the outhouse, I judged the men had previously lowered the temper of the steel back with a blow-pipe in the places where they intended to drill. I felt disposed to be angry at the destruction of the safe, and was going to say so, when Toney pointed out a dirty roll of papers lying inside. I took them out, unfolded them, and forgot my wrath immediately. A prize indeed! Fifty share certificates, each for twenty pounds, in the Undeniable Security and Unlimited Discount Banking Corporation (Limited), offices, Lombard-street, City.

I paid off my two burglars with a light heart and returning to the house, I believe I danced a waltz-dance of triumph round Mrs. T., exhibiting a thousand pounds worth of property, which had cost me but three.

"Oh dear, yes," said I, calling down stairs: "Didn't I tell you!—It's a—safe."

Although two pairs of stairs separated me from the partner of my bosom, I was aware of the sniff which succeeded, and implied "Oh, yes, you're quite right, my man; this is Mr. Trumway's. You needn't be afraid you've mistaken the house. There isn't such another man in the neighbourhood as lives at No. 19." But, alas, she pressed: "Quite right; bring it in, please."

"Yes; but some poor man may be ruined by the loss of these shares."

"Well," said I, "what'll I do with 'em, to go up to London to the Company's offices, and ascertain whether these certificates are claimed on behalf of anyone else, and if not, to claim them for myself."

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VEYRON'S FRENCH COFFEE MACHINES, Assorted Sizes, New System, with Automatic Lamp.

COFFEE ROASTERS, and COFFEE MILLS.

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CELEBRATED SMOKING MIXTURE.

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Hongkong, June 4, 1878.

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The New Food Warmer, THE MOTHER'S FRIEND, keeps Food Warm for 12 hours.

FRENCH COFFEE MACHINES.

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FRUIT and LIME-JUICE SYRUPS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, May 9, 1878.

Auctions.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

ON

TUESDAY,

the 25th June, 1878, at 11 o'clock a.m.

precisely, at the Godowns of Messrs

NORTON & CO., Duddell Street,—

An Invoice of Assorted PRINTING

TYPES, BORDERS, LEADS, &c.; also

a Lot of PRINTING, CARTRIDGE,

LETTER, FOOLSCAP, and NOTE

PAPER, and ENVELOPES.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

All Lots, with all faults and errors of

description, at purchaser's risk on the fall

of the hammer.

HUGHES & LEGGE,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, June 6, 1878.

Intimations.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

4th JUNE, 1878.

GENTLEMEN are informed that Uni-

form will not be worn on Parade

until further orders.

T. C. DEMPSTER,

Captain 28th Regt.,

Commandant.

AFONG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

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collection of Views of China, Pho-

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Albums; Scrap Books, Armorial Monograms

and Postage Stamp Albums; Frames, and

Cases, Gilt Moulding for Frames, all of

assorted sizes, tastes and prices.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

The above has the pleasure to inform his

numerous Customers and the Public of

Hongkong, that his Photographic Estab-

lishment is removed to the Newly-erected

Commodious Building in Queen's Road

Central, next to Messrs SANDER & Co.'s.

Hongkong, April 23, 1878.

KELLY & WALSH'S

CELEBRATED TOBACCOES

Packed specially for this Climate.

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Smoking Mixture. Mild Strength.

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Dollar Brand. Full Strength.

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Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr

EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm

in Hongkong and China, CEASED on

the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, March 8, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr

THOMAS MERCER in our Firm

CEASED on 31st December last.

THOMAS & MERCER.

Canton, May 23, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP existing between Mr

JOHN G. PURDON and Mr HENRY

W. DAVIS in Hongkong and Canton,

under the Style of PURDON & Co., is This

Day Dissolved by mutual consent; either

Partner will Sign in liquidation, and the

Business will be carried on by Mr H. W.

DAVIS under the Style of DAVIS & Co.

PURDON & Co.

China, April 30, 1878.

MR. HENRY W. DAVIS retires from,

and his Interest and Responsibility

CEASED in our Firm at Foochow from the

30th ultimo; and Messrs JOHN ANDREW

MAITLAND and EDWARD PYE HAGUE

are admitted PARTNERS therein from

This Date.

PURDON & Co.

China, May 1, 1878.

MR. JOHN GRAEME PURDON is

This Day admitted a PARTNER in

our Firm.

MAITLAND & Co.

Shanghai, May 1, 1878.

MR. CHARLES COLE is authorised

to Sign our Firm per procuration at

Foochow.

PURDON & Co.

Foochow, May 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of one

Undersigned in the Chinese Mail,

華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po),

CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but

Debts prior to that Date will be received

and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALOUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Arratoon* Avar, Captain MACTAVISH, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, June 4, 1878. jell

FROM CALOUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Moray* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, June 3, 1878. jell

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Glengyle* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Underwriter, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai, unless notice be given before 11 o'clock a.m. To-morrow.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 10th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, June 3, 1878. jell

BRITISH BARK *HYLTON CASTLE*, FROM GLASGOW.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 30, 1878.

SHIP *SIR HARRY PARKES*, FROM LONDON.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 22, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU PONTY, Agent.
Ex "Sindh" from
LA 67 Order, 2 cases Fire } from
Arms } Marseilles.

Ex "Yankee" from
MF & C Order, 2 cases Furni- } from
ture } London.

LCO Order, 17 cases Sundries, } from
H (in diamond) 189/93 & 196 Or- }
der, 8 cases Cotton } "

W (in triangle) 1/20 Order, } from
GB 26 cases Metal } "

WBR 11, Mr. W. H. Ray, 1 case } from
Divers' Helmets } "

SP (in triangle) Order, 100 bags } from
Sharp Stones } Madras.

Hongkong, June 6, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

H. S. YANG-TSE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Indus*, from London, in connection with the above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 10 p.m. the 30th instant, at noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the Underwriter.

Goods remaining undelivered after Wednesday the 5th June, at noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU PONTY, Agent.
Hongkong, May 22, 1878.

MAILS.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer *CITY OF PEKING* will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 10th June, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT on regular rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY, AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. of 9th June. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, June 1, 1878. jell

STEAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean
Ports, Southampton,
and London direct.

Also,
Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship *THIBET*, Captain J. H. TORBEE, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 15th June, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, June 3, 1878. jell

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on or about MONDAY, the 1st July, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 30th June. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN Passage Tickets.

SPECIAL REDUCTIONS granted to Officers of the Army and Navy and to Members of the Civil and Consular Services.

For further information as to Freight of Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, May 29, 1878. jyl

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China Mail Office,
Hongkong, May 13, 1878.

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CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....£12,000
PERMANENT RESERVE....." 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND....." 104,000
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OLYMPHANT & Co., General Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underwriter, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
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Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

Re-authorized, 1869.
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Ho Sam, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.
Loo Yik, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.
LEE SING, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant.
CHANG SING YONG, Merchant.
CHOW CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.
Hongkong, August 23, 1877. jyl

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of
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A. D. 1720.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1873.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1878.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

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INTIMATIONS.

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TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all the ports and in the interior of China; all the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places which Chinese frequent. When the list of Agencies is completed, it will be published. Agents have been already established in most of the above places; and in important ports more than one agent has been appointed at each.

Hongkong, February 25, 1874.

IMPORTANT SALE.

LAND, BUILDINGS, ENGINEERS' PLANT, SAW MILL MACHINERY, BRICK, ENGINEERS' STORES, TOOLS, TIMBER, &c.

The property of Messrs. Howarth, Lyon and Erskine,
Engineers and Iron Founders,
River Valley Road.

Messrs. HOWARTH, LYON & ERSKINE, with a view to the dissolution of their partnership, have instructed the undersigned to sell by Public Auction, at their Works, River Valley Road, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, the 24th, 25th, and 26th June next, the LAND AND BUILDINGS, together with the whole of the extensive and valuable ENGINEERS' PLANT AND SAW MILL MACHINERY, as follows.

FIRST DAY.
Monday, 24th June, commencing at 2 p.m.

In one Lot, The LAND comprised in Government Lease No. 431 for 99 years, dated 1st August, 1870, subject to a rental of \$200 per annum, containing an area of about 123,740 square feet, bounded on the north by River Valley Road, south by Land reserved for Public Use, east by Creek, west by A. B. C. Road, with a frontage of 308 feet on River Valley Road, and 267 feet on Singapore River, together with the BUILDINGS, comprising Engineers' Shop and Stores, Foundry, Blacksmith's Shop, Saw Mill Shed, Timber Slip, Temporary Sheds, Cattle Houses, and Wharf.

The covenants of the Lease will be produced, for perusal and examination, at the sale, and may be seen previously at the Office of the Auctioneers.

SECOND DAY.
Tuesday, 25th June, commencing at 11 a.m.

The following Lots:—
Horizontal Engine 14 H. P. with boiler.
do. 12 H. P. do.
do. 8 H. P. do.
do. 6 H. P. do.

Pair Locomotives 4 H. P. do.
Don't Engine 5 1/2 inch cylinder.
Vert. Boiler 10 H. P. do.
do. 6 H. P. do.

Screw Cutting Cap Lathes.
18" centres, 27 feet bed.
9" do. 26 do.
8" do. 8 do.
7" do. 10 do.

Vertical Drilling Machine, 2 1/2 in. spindle.
do. 1 1/2 do.
Screwing Machine to 1 1/2 inch.
Punching and Shearing Machine.
Root's Rotary Blower, 20 fires.
do. 10 do.

Shaffing Pulleys &c., &c.
China Feed Saw Bench 42" Saw.
Rope Feed do. 42" do.
Endless Feed do. 82" do.
Rabbiting do. 24" do.
Plain do. 24" do.

Moulding and Flooring Machine.
Saw Sharpening Machine.
Hand Planing Machine.
Two Crab Winches.
Fire Engine and Hose.
White Rice Winnowing.
New Steam Launch, 35 feet long.

THIRD DAY.
Wednesday, 26th June, commencing at 11 a.m.

In suitable Lots. TOOLS and STORES, comprising:
Angle, Bar, and Sheet Iron, Boiler Tubes, Boiler Plate, Shafting Bars, Gas Pipes and Fittings, Tool Steel, Brass Rods and Sheets, Copper Sheets and Pipes, Lead Pipes, Bolts, Nuts, Washers and Brass Engine Fittings, Anvils, Vices, Files, Hammers, Turning Tools, Screwing Tackle, Engine Packing, India Rubber Sheet & Insertion Cloth, Wire Cloth, canvas Hose, Machine Belting, Circular Saws, Weston's Blocks, Screw Jacks, Portable Forges, Pumps, Babbitt's Metal, Portable Los Machine, Gauge Glasses, Crucibles &c., &c.

Catalogues with full particulars are being prepared and will be duly issued, together with Conditions of Sale.

Intending purchasers may inspect the property during the week preceding the sale.

For plans & further particulars, apply to
POWELL & CO., Auctioneers.
Singapore, 18th May, 1878. jeb

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

FROM and after the Chinese New Year's day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese Mail will be issued DAILY instead of twice weekly as heretofore. No change, however, will be made in the price of subscription, which will remain at \$4 per annum.

The charges for advertisements are now assimilated to those of the Chinese Mail. The unusual success which has attended the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable medium for advertisements.

The Conductors guarantee an eventual circulation of one thousand copies. It is already the most influential native journal published, and enjoys considerable prestige at the Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francisco and Australia.

China Mail Office,
17th February, 1874.

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1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

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